

Commonwealth of Kentucky Public Protection Cabinet

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New ABC Malt Beverage Administrator Named

FRANKFORT, Ky. (July 1, 2015) – Kentucky Public Protection Cabinet Secretary Ambrose Wilson IV today appointed Holly McCoy-Johnson as the Malt Beverage Administrator in the Department for Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC). McCoy-Johnson will fill out the term of Stephanie Stumbo who resigned.

Prior to accepting the administrator position, McCoy-Johnson was executive director of General Administration and Program Support Shared Services (GAPS) which provides personnel, fiscal, budget, IT and operational support for the Public Protection Cabinet, Energy and Environment Cabinet, and the Labor Cabinet.

"Holly's wide range of knowledge of the workings of state government and, in particular, the ability to build consensus among varied interests makes her an excellent choice for this very important role in ABC," said Secretary Wilson. "Stephanie Stumbo played a key role in helping Kentucky move forward in modernizing and streamlining the complicated laws and regulations that govern our alcoholic beverage industry. Her service to Kentucky and the many constituent groups in the industry was very valuable and I want to thank her for being part of this administration."

McCoy-Johnson has more than 20 years of government experience, serving as executive director of Legislative and Intergovernmental Affairs for the Energy and Environment Cabinet, executive staff advisor for the Department for Natural Resources, and staff assistant in the former Department of Mines and Minerals.

Replacing McCoy-Johnson at GAPS is Ray Perry who has served as deputy commissioner of the Department of Insurance.